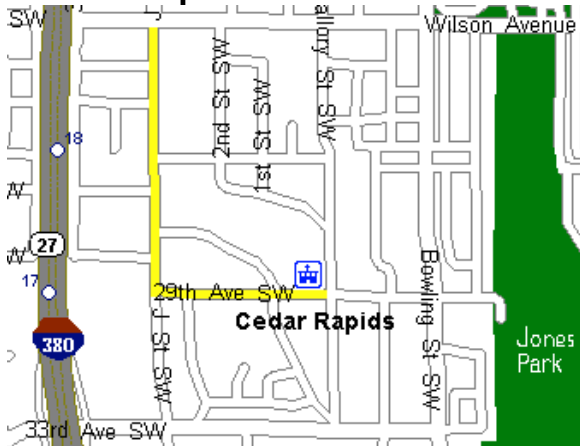




## Hus Presbyterian Church

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**Shining the light!** *Matthew 5:16*

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## Hus Happenings

*Hus Presbyterian Church presents...*

## Hus Racing League



**Do you want to be a race  
car driver???**

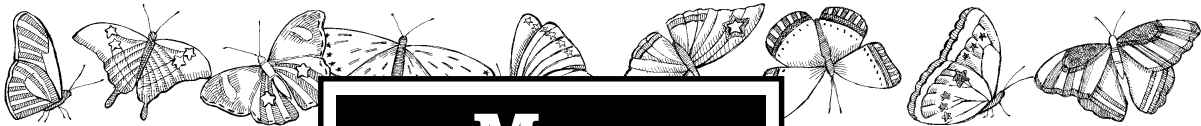
Now's your chance!! Join the Hus Racing League (HRL)

**The Next Race is May 13<sup>th</sup>.**

This die-cast racing event is a fun, exciting, and intense family  
event that all will enjoy! Races start at 10 a.m., participants  
should arrive early to prepare. Races  
are held every second Saturday  
through November 2006.

So come, enjoy the excitement, enjoy  
the rush and just **HAVE FUN!**





# May

	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b>  Youth Ministry Prayer Time - 7:00 PM	<b>2</b>  Quilters- 8:30 AM South West Area Neighborhood Meeting At Wilson School- 6:30 PM Trustee's Meeting- 7PM	<b>3</b>  Common Meal - 5:15 PM Youth Movie Night- 5:15 PM Choir - 7:30 PM Worship Team - 8:30 PM	<b>4</b> Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM High School Bible Study at Panera- 4PM  	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  Missions Team Meeting at Pastor Jackson's home- 10:30 AM
<b>7</b>  Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM Summer Pastoral Team at Pastor Jackson's home- 2:30 PM	<b>8</b>  Youth Ministry Prayer Time - 7:00 PM	<b>9</b>  Quilters- 8:30 AM Deacon's Meeting- 6:30 PM Presbytery Meeting in Muscatine- 2:30 - 8:30 PM	<b>10</b>  the <b>Crave</b> - 6:30 - 8:30 PM Choir - 6:45 PM Worship Team - 8 PM	<b>11</b>  Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM High School Bible Study at Panera- 4PM Alpha Planning- 6:30 PM	<b>12</b>  Dámská Meeting- 12 PM	<b>13</b>  Hus Racing League- 9:30AM- register 10:00- race Chrysalis HOOT Altoona UMC 5 PM
<b>14</b> Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM  	<b>15</b>  Youth Ministry Prayer Time - 7:00 PM	<b>16</b>  Men's Breakfast- 7:30 AM Quilters- 8:30 AM Home Communion Training- 7 PM Session Meeting- 7:30 PM	<b>17</b>  Common Meal - 5:15 PM Youth Group - 5:45 PM Confirmation - 6:45 PM Choir - 6:45 PM Worship Team - 8 PM	<b>18</b>  Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM High School Bible Study at Panera- 4PM Women's Emmaus Walk #122	<b>19</b>  Women's Emmaus Walk #122	<b>20</b>  Shepherding Workshop in Fellowship Hall- 10AM- 12PM Mess Fest-1-4 PM Women's Emmaus Walk #122
<b>21</b>  Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM Women's Emmaus Walk #122	<b>22</b>  Youth Ministry Prayer Time - 7:00 PM	<b>23</b>  Quilters- 8:30 AM	<b>24</b>  21 <sup>st</sup> Annual Choir Concert- 7 PM	<b>25</b>  Lunch Bunch- 11:30 AM High School Bible Study at Panera- 4PM	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>  Worship Service - 9:30 AM	<b>29</b>  	<b>30</b>  Quilters- 8:30 AM	<b>31</b>  Youth Group - 5:45 PM Confirmation - 6:45 PM			



## JESUS' PRAYER, JESUS' VISION, AND JESUS' CHURCH

In the Gospel of John, we have recorded a special prayer of Jesus. Just before he is led away to be crucified and in this way give himself as a sacrifice so our sins may be forgiven, Jesus prays for us --- *his church!* There is a rather silly debate among scholars regarding whether or not Jesus intended to have the church exist after his death, but it is clear in all four gospels that Jesus had the future of his church in mind, and here in John we see a glimpse of Jesus' vision for the church.

Then there are all the competing voices today that claim to define what the church should be. Some think of it as primarily an institution for the maintenance of traditions, some see it as a vehicle for social change, others think it is primarily personal and private in nature, and still others seek to place the church "out there" to make claims upon the issues in the "public square."

In order to deal well with all the many views on who and what we should be as the church, we must first understand and embrace Jesus' vision for the church. This we see in Jesus' prayer in John 17:1-25. Jesus expresses his vision for a people who will him bring glory through the life they have received through his work on the Cross. He then prays for us to be transformed inwardly, and to live this transformation out in a world that doesn't accept God's rule and love. Jesus ends with a vision of unity among Christians that reflects who God is and that fulfills Christ's mission of reconciling the world to God and bringing glory to the Father.

This May we will be looking closely at this vision of Jesus for the church. There are many views and voices clamoring for our attention, but by starting first with the voice of Jesus, we can measure the worthiness of the others. If they are in line with Jesus' vision, we have found something that helps us to be faithful in how we live as the church in today's world. If they are out of line with Jesus' vision, we need to ditch them quickly and permanently, otherwise they will lead us to disgrace the name of Jesus by becoming silly, tragic, and irrelevant.

Be sure to be present in worship this month as we seek to become the church God wants us to be. It has its ups and downs, but the vision of Jesus keeps us going, and Jesus Himself is the goal. Nothing else compares to wonder of this journey!

In Christ's Peace,

Will

### **MAY 7**

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 17:1-5

SERMON: "Knowing God: Christ's Act of Justification"

### **MAY 14**

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 17:6-12

SERMON: "Knowing Ourselves: Inward Sanctification"

### **MAY 21**

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 17:13-19

SERMON: "Knowing The World: Outward Sanctification"

### **MAY 28**

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 17:20-26

SERMON: "Knowing One Another: Shared Glorification"



# Happy Birthday!

3	Christy Hebert
4	Marcia Funcke
	George Wheat
5	Anne McDill
	Charles Tichy
	Coulter Page
6	Dennis Roethlisberger
8	Sue Reisetter
9	Jean Mary Hite
	Hayley Cisler
	Madonna Gretten
12	Tammy McLaskey
14	Deb MacDougall
	Alex Ransom
15	Margaret Feiereisen
16	Harold Skripsky
	Harold McGowan
	Ruby Klein
	Jackson Trotman
18	Terry Van Wyk
22	Charles Nejd
	Leonard Nejd
24	Margaret Klopp
25	Kenneth Kloubec
27	Michael Havel
29	Joyce McGivern
30	Christopher Page
31	Joyce Greer
	Logan Reisetter



A mother is not a person to lean on, but a person to make leaning unnecessary.  
—Dorothy Canfield Fisher

## Anniversaries this Month

9	M/M Michael Stevens	14
13	M/M Chris Ransom	5
14	M/M Don McDill	1
19	M/M Eldred Svoboda	55
	M/M Tom Currie	22
23	M/M TJ Wilson	3
25	M/M Ron Wegner	33
26	M/M Norm Reisetter	16
27	M/M David Zahradnik	11

### Check us out online!

If you have access to a computer, go to  
[www.huschurch.org](http://www.huschurch.org)

Transportation for May,  
please, contact  
at before Sunday morning.

### Don't help a butterfly



There is a story about a man who kept watching a cocoon. The man knew a butterfly would emerge, but it seemed to take forever. Finally, being impatient and wanting to free the struggling insect, he took a knife and split the cocoon.

The butterfly was born, but it could not fly. The man had prevented a very necessary struggle that the butterfly needed. That struggle forces body juices into the insect's wings, giving it strength to fly.

Perhaps there is a lesson for us in the story. Those who have had some great struggles in life are often better for enduring the difficulties. Losses, rejection, disabilities and disappointments can teach us patience, strengthen us spiritually, and make us better, more kindly humans.

Theologians sometimes use the phrase "No cross, No crown." It was victory over the Cross that made Christ King.



# Believing On Our Master

May 2005



Hi All,

Where did April go? It has been a busy month and as it gets closer to summer, the faster it will seem to go. To be honest I am a little behind this month. This past weekend I took part in Chrysalis Flight #26 at the Altoona United Methodist Church. What a transforming weekend it was. There were about 70 teenagers there and it was neat to watch them grow in Christ. What is Chrysalis?

"That growth stage between caterpillars and butterflies is called a chrysalis. On the surface it may not look like much is happening, but the delicate chrysalis process changes the fuzzy caterpillar into an awesome butterfly with wings of intricate designs and intense colors. The chrysalis process symbolizes how Christ can transform you into something beyond your dreams. It happens when you grow beyond yourself, opening your life to Jesus' power and love.

Chrysalis is the name chosen for the youth version of The Walk to Emmaus, its parent movement, because it symbolizes the spiritual growth that is essential between adolescence and adulthood. That growth is as crucial for youth as the cocoon is for the caterpillar. It is that precious time of nurturing a person's faith for discipleship.

This three-day spiritual renewal time provides an opportunity for you to learn more about faith, to experience Christian love and support, and to make new faith commitments. The point is to inspire, challenge and equip you for a closer friendship with Christ and for Christian action at home, church, school, and community.

Chrysalis lifts up a way for you to enjoy Christ's friendship and love and to be Christ's friend and partner in the world. The three days focus on God's grace, your experience with Christ as friend, what it means to be the body of Christ, and giving love to a needy world."

If I were you I would be probably be saying ok, but what happens on a Chrysalis flight? It is three days of worship, prayer, talks given by other teens and adults, fellowship, creative expression, games, singing, and discussion. The worship is like nothing that you have probably ever experienced. It is relevant and done in a style meant for teenagers. And the music, well it is high energy and fun. The theme song for Flight #26 was "Foreverandever, etc." by the David Crowder Band. Because the guys and girls are split for most of the weekend I am not sure what they sang, but "Big House" by Audio Adrenaline was the song of choice for the guys. I almost forgot you get to eat and eat and eat. The food doesn't stop until it is time to go home. There is always plenty to eat at mealtime and there is always plenty of snack food and pop in between meals.

Sound interesting? Chrysalis Flight #27 is September 2-4, 2006 and will be held in Waterloo, IA at Kimball Ave. United Methodist Church and Westminster Presbyterian Church. If you are a sophomore in high school to a sophomore in college and would like more information or want to go on the next flight, please let me know.

More than likely by the time that you are reading this the 30 Hour Famine and BOOM Sunday will have already taken place and if you missed it, you missed a lot of fun! Mothers' Day is just around the corner ... hint, hint. Make sure to remember your Mom on May 14<sup>th</sup>. I know she will appreciate it.

Because of Him,

Terry

## **Upcoming Meetings**

May:

- Join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> for movie night beginning at 5:15 PM for "Pride and Prejudice." This month's movie is about 140 minutes long so we should be done by 7:45 PM. This would be a great night to invite some friends, just let us know how many are coming so we can make sure that we have enough to eat (please be sure to bring \$3 to help cover the cost of the meal). Are you part of another youth group? Have your youth leader get a hold of us; we would love to have you join us!

*But the Lord said to Moses, "Do you thing I'm weak? Now you will see if I can do what I say."  
Numbers 11:23 (NCV)*



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- The **Crave** is back and will be on the 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. at Roosevelt Middle School. Parents, drop off will be at Roosevelt Middle School at 6 P.M. with pick-up at 8:30 P.M. (it may be later for pick-up if the event goes over schedule).
- On the 17<sup>th</sup> and the 31<sup>st</sup> we will worship and fellowship from 5:45 to 6:45 P.M.
- Confirmation meets on the 17<sup>th</sup> and the 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:45 – 7:45 P.M. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> the confirmation class will participate in movie night (see above for movie night details).

*Events not scheduled yet will be announced as far in advance as possible so you can make plans to attend. The movie scheduled to be shown could change without warning due to availability.*

## **Upcoming Concerts/Events**

### May

10 <sup>th</sup>	the <b>Crave</b> at Roosevelt Middle School
13 <sup>th</sup>	Hus Racing League. Youth working in the kitchen from 10 AM - 3 PM. Fundraiser
13 <sup>th</sup>	Chrysalis Hoot (Altoona United Methodist Church)
14 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers' Day
24 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Hus Choir Concert - NO YOUTH GROUP
29 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day

**Every Monday:** Youth Prayer Time, 7PM at the old SW Target parking lot.

**Every Thursday:** High School Bible Study, 4 - 6 PM at the Panera Bread on Collins Rd.

**Every Friday:** Marion High School Bible Study, 7:30 - 8 AM.

*Times subject to change.*

## **A conversation with God**

*Hi God. It has been a long month for all of us Lord. All the homework, the tests, school activities, church, youth group, Sunday school and more. Be with us God so that we do not forget to spend time with you. We lift up Your name in praise as we thank you for helping us with that homework, the tests, school activities, church, youth group, Sunday school and so very much more. Lord, be with us as we end this school year and help us to make the right choices in all that we do.*

*Christ be in my life and in my living (place hands over chest)*

*Christ be in my heart and in my loving (hands over heart)*

*Christ be in my mouth and in my speaking (hands over mouth)*

*Christ be in my eyes and in my seeing (hands over eyes)*

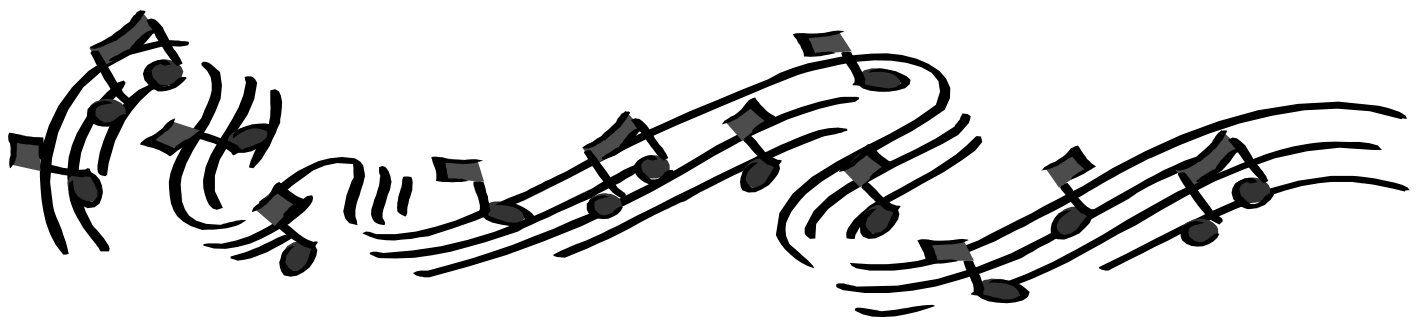
*Christ be in my ears and in my hearing (hands over ears)*

*Christ be in my mind and in my thinking (hands on head)*

*In Jesus' precious and holy name, Amen.*



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## **2006 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

On June 25th - 29<sup>th</sup> join us on the Gospel Express

Sign up by calling 363-0067,  
by emailing [huschurch@huschurch.org](mailto:huschurch@huschurch.org)  
or on the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary.

### **All Aboard God's Celebration Train!!**

Kids experience Bible stories through an interactive combination of music, art, snacks, games, worship, and drama. Just climb on board for a fast-moving adventure on the Gospel Express!

### **Fun!**

From blowing their very own authentic wooden train whistles to making theme-related crafts to ridin' the rails with Melvin, kids will have a blast aboard the Gospel Express!

### **Gospel-centered!**

At Gospel Express, Jesus is the lead conductor. Daily themes and Bible stories celebrate everything Jesus has done for us by arriving, surprising, forgiving, loving, and blessing. Kids learn as they have fun aboard the Gospel Express!

